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1. Organization

In May 1951 the headquarters of the Special Army Group of the 4 Field Army consisted of a Political Department, Health Department, Rear Service Department, and Command Post Staff Office. The Special Army Group was composed of the 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, and possibly the 4, 6, and 7 Artillery Divisions, the 1 and 2 Anti-Aircraft Divisions, 1 Engineer Division, and the following troop schools: Artillery, Anti-Aircraft, Engineer, Staff, Vehicle, Administration, and Medical Schools. The 1 Artillery Division headquarters consisted of a Political Department, Command Post, Supply Department, and a Sanitary Department. The division was composed of the 25, 26, and 27 Artillery Regiments.

2. Location and Strength

The command post was at Harbin and the advance command post was in Antung. The 1, 2, 5, and 8 Artillery Divisions, the 1 and 2 Anti-Aircraft Divisions, and the 1 Engineer Division were in Korea. The whereabouts of the 3, 6, and 7 Artillery Divisions was unknown. The strength of the 1 Artillery Division was 13,000 men and 4,500 horses.

3. Supply Bases

The Chinese Communist supply base on the western coast of Korea was in the Anju (125-38, 39-38)-Simnju (125-36, 39-36)-Mansong (125-35, 39-30) area. To avoid air attack, the goods were kept in caves between 10 and 20 meters from the road. Each cave was 2 meters deep and 10 to 50 meters long.

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4. Key Personnel

WAN I (萬毅), commander, Special Army Group

KUANG Yu-min (匡欲民), deputy commander, Special Army Group

CHIU Ch'uang-cheng (邱創成), political commissar, Special Army Group

WEN Chi (文擎), also known as LIU Wen-chi (劉文擎), commander, 1 Artillery Division

CHANG Ying (張英), political commissar, 1 Artillery Division

LIN Chen (林真), political commissar, 5 Artillery Division

WANG Heng (王衡), commander, 8 Artillery Division

YANG Kuo-chih (楊國治), chief of staff, 1 Artillery Division

CHANG I (張一), chief, political department, 1 Artillery Division

LIANG Ping (梁平), deputy chief, political department, and director, court martial office, 1 Artillery Division

WEI I (魏一), chief, security section, 1 Artillery Division

CHANG Hai-men (張海門), chief, command post operations section, 1 Artillery Division

LIU Ching-yun (劉青雲), director, supply department, 1 Artillery Division

CHAO Hsiao-feng (趙秀峯), political commissar, 1 Artillery Division

JEN Wen-pin (任文斌), deputy director, supply department, 1 Artillery Division

WANG Ting (王汀), chief, finance section, 1 Artillery Division

CHEN Yung (陳永), chief, provisions section, 1 Artillery Division

HUANG Hsien-hsiang (黃賢祥), chief, clothing section, 1 Artillery Division

CHANG Liang (張良), chief, transport section, supply department, 1 Artillery Division

CHEN I (陳一), chief, production section, supply department, 1 Artillery Division

5. Code Names

The following code names were used for the Special Army Group: Shanghai, Hunhe (渾河), Wui (五一), Liu (六一).

6. History

This Special Army Group was formed from the Tungpei Democratic Allied Artillery Division, which was organized in the summer of 1946 from the Yenan Artillery Unit. The Tungpei Division was strengthened in 1948, and, comprising the 1 (donkey), 2 (semi-mechanized), and 3 (tank and armored) artillery Divisions, became the Special Army Group of the 4 Field Army. After that, the division was reorganized and it became the main power of the 4 Field Army. In May 1951, the regimental commanders of this army group were all staff members of the Yenan Artillery School, and the battalion and company commanders were graduates of the school.